

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Gerd Hofmann et al. Art Unit : 2833
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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §41.47(b), appellant respectfully requests an oral hearing.

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Respectfully submitted,

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